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SECURITY INFORMATION

COUNTRY Czechoslovakia

TOPIC Troops in Ilucin

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DATE OF CONTENT prior to 17 August 1951

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1. Prior to 17 August 1951, a barracks installation of three large three-story buildings, one three-story officers' billets, one large single-story storehouse and one stable under construction was observed at the northwestern exit of Ilucin (Hultschin, P 50/O 49), on the southwest side of Ostravska ul. in the direction of Opava (Troppau, P 50/O 29). It quartered soldiers wearing red patches. A column of about 500 men was frequently observed marching through the streets of Ilucin. The men carried rifles and had four AT guns, with barrels 2 or 3 meters long and rubber tire wheels, which were towed by half-track vehicles. In March 1951, 12 to 14 brand new guns, with barrels 3.5 to 4.5 meters long and pneumatic tires, were towed by half-track vehicles from the railroad station to the barracks installation.
2. The SNB district command was located on the market place, in the administration building of the electric power plant. The StB office was located beside this building.
3. Several freight trains loaded with ammunition boxes arrived at a railroad station located 1 km east of Smolkov (Smolkau, P 50/O 39) in June 1951. The boxes were loaded onto trucks by soldiers and taken to the woods southeast of the railroad station. On the construction of a power line, a bunker with a senior lieutenant standing nearby was observed in this woods. No more details were identified.

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